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EFFORT IN SOUTH LEBANON

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WE WERE STRUCK BY YOUR COMMENTS (REFTELS) TO EFFECT THAT
SYRIAN PRESS ATTACKS ON ISRAEL'S OPEN BORDER POLICY VIS-A-
VIS SOUTH LEBANON COULD PRESAGE "RENEWED" SYRO-LEBANESE
MILITARY EFFORTS TO PACIFY THAT AREA. WOULD APPRECIATE
CLARIFICATION AND EXPANSION OF YOUR THINKING ON THIS
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POINT. YOUR COMMENTS IMPLY THAT SYRIANS ARE CONSIDERING

USING THE LAA VANGUARD UNITS TO SUBORN LAA UNITS IN SOUTH
WITHOUT MAKING CLEAR WHETHER SYRIAN REGULARS MIGHT ALSO BE
INVOLVED. HABIB

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